

**Abstract**

A wire-strike system (1) including; a wire cutter including at least one pair of electrodes (5, 6), electrically insulated from each other and mountable upon an outer surface of an aircraft (2), said electrodes (5, 6) being connectable to a power source (11) capable of generating an electrical potential difference between the electrodes (5, 6) and in the event of a wire-strike, supplying a short-circuit current flow through a portion of said wire connecting both electrodes (5, 6).